

# *Proclamation*

## *Presented to*

### **Habilitat, Inc.**

**WHEREAS**, Habilitat, Inc. was founded in 1971 by Vincent C. Marino, on the idea that addicts could recover if they were willing to work toward independence and self-reliance; and

**WHEREAS**, Habilitat, Inc. is a long-term residential substance abuse treatment program based on the Therapeutic Community Model considered by experts to be one of the most effective methods of treatment for substance abuse and chemical addictions; and

**WHEREAS**, Habilitat, Inc. focuses on teaching residents on how to improve their lives through incorporating exercise, nutrition, education, and building family bonds into their new lifestyle; and

**WHEREAS**, Habilitat, Inc. vocational training departments (food service, medical administration, accounting, sales and marketing, facility maintenance, construction, plumbing, remodeling, house cleaning, graphic design, and landscaping) teaches residents a job skill that they can utilize upon graduation, thus becoming a crucial link for a successful recovery; and

**WHEREAS**, Habilitat, Inc. central philosophy is based on the concepts of honesty, integrity, self-discipline, accountability, resiliency, strong work ethic, and family values; and

**WHEREAS**, Habilitat, Inc. will be celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Saturday, June 4, 2011;


**THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim June 4, 2011 as**

## **"HABILITAT DAY"**

in Hawai'i and encourage the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing Habilitat, Inc. for its contributions to the health and wellness of our communities.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this sixteenth day of May, 2011.

  
**NEIL ABERCROMBIE**  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

  
**BRIAN SCHATZ**  
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i